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## Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC)

**Free Service for Nonprofits.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* provides nonprofit and government representatives with funding information at its Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). This computer center provides access to funding databases, as well as the Internet. Staff is available to provide information on additional resources. The GIRC is located at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1130 North. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

## Special Announcements

**REGISTER NOW** for the 2006 Public-Private Partnership Conference. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)*, in partnership with Citibank, the Center for Nonprofit Advancement, and the Alliance for Nonprofit Management, will host its 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Public-Private Partnership conference—*Moving Forward: Continued Commitment to Building Partnerships*. Workshops will focus on writing proposals, managing grants, building partnerships, finding funding, and more. Attendees will be able to access an extensive exhibit hall for additional information. The all-day conference will be held at George Washington University's Marvin Center on October 30, 2006. For further information and

to register, go to: [www.regonline.com/104901](http://www.regonline.com/104901); or contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900 or the Center for Nonprofit Advancement at (202) 457-0540.

## Federal Opportunities

**Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need.** *Department of Education* announces funds to provide fellowships in areas of national need to assist graduate students with excellent academic records who demonstrate financial need and plan to pursue the highest degree available in their courses of study. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is November 20, 2006. Approximately \$9,725,000 is available to fund 45 awards. A match is required. For further information, contact Gary Thomas at (202) 502-7767 or [OPE\\_GAANN\\_PROGRAM@ed.gov](mailto:OPE_GAANN_PROGRAM@ed.gov); or go to: <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=10925&mode=VIEW>. GrantID: GD1491

**Refining and Testing Mental Health Interventions and Services for Youth with Mental Illness Who are Transitioning to Adulthood (R01).** *Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to support research aimed at refining and testing innovative interventions and service delivery models for youth with severe mental illnesses (e.g., youth with disorders that are severe, chronic, and/or significantly impairing; youth for whom treatment is complicated by the need to address comorbid psychiatric and/or substance use disorders and/or HIV/AIDS) who are transitioning to adulthood. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent

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school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education, and for-profit organizations. The deadline for applications is November 18, 2006.

Approximately \$1,100,000 is available to fund 2-3 awards. For further information, contact NIH OER Webmaster at [FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV](mailto:FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV); or go to: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MH-07-050.html>. GrantID: GD149

## District Opportunities

**K-12 Learn and Serve America School-Based Grants.** *Serve DC* announces funds to incorporate service-learning as an educational strategy in the classroom. This initiative supports a wide range of program activities that emphasize authentic youth engagement in their communities. Activities shall enable youth to meet local environmental, educational, public safety, homeland security, or other community needs. Eligible applicants include independent school districts, nonprofits, faith-based organizations, and for-profit organizations. The deadline for applications is November 17, 2006, at 12:00 p.m. A match is required. The RFA will be released on October 13, 2006. *Serve DC* will host two (2) Technical Assistance Workshops on October 24, 2006, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., and November 8, 2006, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 1114. For further information and to RSVP, contact Kristen Henry at (202) 727-8003 or [kristen.henry@dc.gov](mailto:kristen.henry@dc.gov); or go to: <http://www.opgd.dc.gov>. GrantID: GD1496

**Neighborhood Grants Program (NGP).** *Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (ODMPED)* announces funds to carry out neighborhood based projects in the following target neighborhoods: Anacostia, Bellevue, Bloomingdale/Eckington, Brighwood/Upper Georgia Ave., Brookland/Edgewood, Columbia Heights, Congress Heights, Deanwood Heights, H Street, Logan Circle, Shaw, and Washington Highlands. The goal of NGP is to build stronger, healthier, and safer communities by nurturing community relationships through civic action and participation. Projects must fall into one of the following four categories: Cultural, Historic, Social, Recreational Initiatives; Education and Skill Building; Public Safety; Physical Improvements and/or Beautification. Eligible

applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is November 1, 2006, at 4:00 p.m. Approximately \$400,000 is available to fund awards ranging from \$15,000-\$75,000. A match is required. The RFA may be obtained at 801 N. Capitol St., NE, Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20002, or [www.dcbiz.dc.gov](http://www.dcbiz.dc.gov). ODMPED will host a Pre-Application Conference on September 29, 2006, 10:00 a.m., at 801 N. Capitol St., NE, First Floor, Washington, DC 20002. To RSVP, contact ODMPED at (202) 478-1355. For further information, go to: <http://www.opgd.dc.gov>. GrantID: GD1500

**Questions & Answers from Pre-Application Conference, Early Readers Now Volunteer Program.** *Department of Human Services* posted questions and answers from its September 1, 2006 Pre-Application Conference. Document is accessible on the Office of Partnerships and Grants Development's site – <http://opgd.dc.gov>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

*DC Public Schools, District of Columbia Public Charter Schools FY2006 Dissemination Grant Program*, September 20, 2006, at 4:30 p.m.

*Department of Human Services, Early Readers Now*, September 28, 2006, at 3:30 p.m.

*Office of the Secretary, Escheated Estates Fund*, September 29, and December 28, 2006.

*Department of Human Services, Emergency Rental Assistance Program*, October 15, 2006, at 4:00 p.m.

*Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Office of Victim, Victim Assistance Fund*, October 17, 2006, at 12:01 p.m.

**REVISED.** *Department of Health, FY 2007 Ryan White Title I EMA-Wide Grant*, October 17, 2006.

*Department of Housing and Community Development, Community Development Block Grant*

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(CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships (HOME), Housing Production Trust Fund (HPTF), and the Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), November 17, 2006, at 4:00 p.m.

*Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.*

## Foundation Opportunities

**Boating Safety.** *BoatU.S. Foundation* announces funds to develop innovative projects designed to promote safe boating on local waterways. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is November 1, 2006. Approximately \$50,000 is available to fund awards up to \$4,000. For further information, go to: <http://www.boatus.com/foundation/>. GrantID: GD1498

**Disadvantaged Communities.** *Public Welfare Foundation* announces funds to support services to disadvantaged populations and work for lasting improvements in the delivery of services that meet basic human needs. Specific areas of interest include community development, criminal justice, youth, environment, health, and human rights and global security. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. There is no deadline date for applications. For further information, go to: [http://www.publicwelfare.org/news/news/fund\\_2006.asp](http://www.publicwelfare.org/news/news/fund_2006.asp). GrantID: GD1494

**K-14 Science Programs.** *The Initiative to Develop Education through Astronomy and Space Science (IDEAS)* provides start-up funding to explore innovative, creative ways to integrate astronomy and space science into U.S. education and public outreach venues. The objective of the IDEAS program is to enhance science, mathematics, and/or technology education in the U.S. for K-14 students and the general public by promoting partnerships between astronomers/space scientists and educators. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is October 20, 2006. For further information, go to: <http://ideas.stsci.edu/>. GrantID: GD1495

**New Field Trip Grants Program.** *Target* announces funds to sponsor field trips for students, ranging from

visits to art museums, environmental projects, cultural events, and civic experiences. Eligible applicants include independent school districts, educators, and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is November 1, 2006. Approximately 800 awards up to \$1,000 are available. For further information, go to: <http://sites.target.com/site/en/corporate/page.jsp?cont entId=PRD03-002537>. GrantID: GD1499

**Promote Bicycling.** *Bikes Belong* welcomes applications from organizations committed to putting more people on bicycles more often. The program's goals are to encourage ridership growth, promote bicycling, build political support, leverage funding, and support bicycle advocacy; address the project objectives of the facility, education, or advocacy funding categories; and propose a specific program or project that is measurable. Eligible applicants include nonprofits and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is November 27, 2006. Awards up to \$10,000 are available. For further information, go to: <http://bikesbelong.org/>. GrantID: GD1497

**Youth Leaders for Literacy.** *National Education Association (NEA)* announces funds to encourage and celebrate literacy service in our nation's young people, and to provide resources to conduct reading-related activities that benefit others. Projects should propose youth leadership in developing and implementing a literacy project that begins on NEA's Read Across America Day, March 2, 2007 and culminates on Youth Service America's National Youth Service Days, April 20-22, 2007. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and individuals. The deadline for applications is November 24, 2006. Approximately 20 awards up to \$500 are available. For further information, go to: <http://www.nea.org/readacross/volunteer/index.html>. GrantID: GD1493

## Resources & Announcements

**Disaster Recovery & Information Technology: Proactive Preparedness & Planning for Nonprofits.** *NPower Greater DC Region* has partnered with the *Nonprofit Roundtable* to host a free interactive workshop for nonprofits to learn the process for developing a business continuity and emergency preparedness plan. Explore how simple

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technology tools can play an essential role managing and implementing a plan, and learn about additional resources to assist organizations are available. All workshop attendees will have the opportunity to apply for a FREE disaster recovery follow-up assessment conducted by NPower technology consultants. The workshop will be held on October 13, 2006, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., at The Aspen Institute, One Dupont Circle, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20036. For further information and to RSVP, contact NPower at (202) 234-9670.

**Faith and Action: The Role of Religion in Social Services.** *The Foundation Center* will host a fourth Washington, DC event in celebration of their 50th anniversary. Professor Jo Anne Schneider of George Washington University will share some findings from her research on relationships involving faith communities, the nonprofits they create, and the people they serve. The brown bag luncheon event will be held on September 21, 2006, 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m., at The Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, NW, Third Floor, Washington, DC 20006. For further information and to register, call (202) 331-1400; or go to: <http://foundationcenter.org/washington/philandc.html>

## Previous Announcements

**2006 Accessible America Competition.** *The National Organization on Disability* announces their sixth annual awards competition, open to all U.S. cities and towns. Entrants will showcase how their citizens with disabilities are participating in and contributing to local community life. To enter the competition, a community must submit an official Accessible America application signed by the mayor or chief elected official, describing how the city or town provides opportunities for citizens with disabilities to participate fully in community life. The deadline for applications is October 31, 2006. For further information, go to: <http://www.nod.org/>.

**Activists of Color Award.** *The Alston/Bannerman Fellowship Program* is committed to advancing progressive social change by helping to sustain long-time activists of color. The program honors those who have devoted their lives to helping their communities organize for racial, social, economic, and environmental justice, and provides resources for organizers to take sabbaticals for reflection and

renewal. The program seeks applicants whose work attacks root causes of injustice by organizing those affected to take collective action; challenges the systems that perpetrate injustice and effects institutional change; builds their community's capacity for self-determination and develops grassroots leadership; acknowledges the cultural values of the community; creates accountable participatory structures in which community members have decision-making power; and contributes to building a movement for social change by making connections between issues, developing alliances with other constituencies, and collaborating with other organizations. The deadline for applications is December 1, 2006. The award is approximately \$15,000. For further information, go to: <http://www.alstonbannerman.org/>.

**Celebrating Solutions Awards Program.** *The Mary Byron Foundation* is accepting nominations from organizations that demonstrate an innovative approach to confronting and solving domestic violence. Eligible applicants include nonprofits and government-based programs that have been operating for a minimum of three years and specifically address the issue of domestic violence. The deadline date is September 22, 2006. Approximately 4 awards up to \$10,000 are available. For further information, go to: <http://www.marybyronfoundation.org/>.

**Children Serving Their Communities.** *The Angel Soft Angels in Action Program* recognizes children ages 8-18 who have executed exemplary acts of service to benefit their community, a charity, or cause. The deadline date for nominations is October 1, 2006. Nominators who are 18 years or older may submit an essay of 200 words or less about the nominee's service accomplishments. The most outstanding service project will be named Program of the Year with the winner receiving \$15,000. Two Grand Prizes of \$10,000 and five First Prizes of \$1,000 will also be awarded. Along with cash awards, the Program of the Year winner and both Grand Prize winners will receive a trip for two to Walt Disney World. For further information, go to: <http://www.angelsoft.com/angelsinaction/awardsprogram2006.asp>.

**Education.** *National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS)* announces funds to support teachers by paying a portion of their



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certification fee. Subsidy funds are awarded on a first come, first served basis. Eligible applicants must meet NBPTS eligibility guidelines and submit a District of Columbia Application for Assessment Fee Support to the program administrator. The deadline for applications is December 31, 2006. Awards up to \$1,000 are available. For further information, go to: [http://www.nbpts.org/resources/state\\_local\\_information/District%20of%20Columbia](http://www.nbpts.org/resources/state_local_information/District%20of%20Columbia).

**Learning Program Focuses on Meeting the Needs of Working Families.** *Grantmakers for Children, Youth & Families (GCYF)* is developing an ongoing learning process to help grantmakers explore the breadth and complexity of issues faced by families living in poverty, and the supports and strategies necessary to help them gain economic independence. *The Working Families Learning Circle* will explore three key issue areas: employment, education, and work; vulnerable populations; and cross-cutting issues. For each issue area, GCYF is planning learning events that will share in-depth information about the scope and nature of the problem and that will identify effective grantmaking strategies that can be leveraged to address the problems. For further information and to download an overview of the program, go to: [http://www.gcyf.org/programs/programs\\_show.htm?doc\\_id=360530](http://www.gcyf.org/programs/programs_show.htm?doc_id=360530).

**Nonprofit Training Series.** *The Enhanced Business Information Center (e-BIC), in partnership with Southeastern University's (SEU) Center for Entrepreneurship*, will offer the following series of nonprofit workshops:

*How to Start a Nonprofit: covers the essential tools needed to start a nonprofit organization;*

*Nonprofit Staff and Board Development: helps participants understand the crucial role that boards play in a nonprofit organization; staff development will also be discussed;*

*Nonprofit Strategic Planning: covers the differences between strategic plans and business plans for nonprofit organizations; participants will also learn how to conduct SWOT and competitive analyses of their nonprofits; and*

*Fundraising for Nonprofits: will introduce fundraising planning and creating a standard grant format.*

The series will run once a month starting in September. For dates, times, locations, and other information, contact Katina Bolden at (202) 727-2241 or [katina.bolden@dc.gov](mailto:katina.bolden@dc.gov); or go to: <http://app.calendar.rrc.dc.gov/monthView.aspx?cdICalendar=11>.

## **Presidential Award for Reading and Technology.**

*International Reading Association* is accepting applications for the annual Presidential Award designed to honor educators in grades K-12 or equivalent who are making an outstanding and innovative contribution to the use of technology in reading education. Entrants must be educators who work directly with students ages 5-18 for all or part of the working day. Entries incorporating any brand of computers, operating systems, software applications, and other technologies such as TV or video are acceptable. The deadline for applications is November 15, 2006. For further information, go to: <http://www.reading.org>; or <http://www.plato.com>.

## **Upcoming Museum Grants for African American History and Culture.**

*Institute of Museum and Library Services* will announce funds to build professional capacity in the African American museum community. The program will provide opportunities for the staff of African American museums to gain knowledge and abilities in the areas of management, operations, programming, collections care and other museum skills identified as a high priority by applicants. It will provide an opportunity for African American museums to design projects that will enhance institutional capacity and sustainability by utilizing professional training, technical assistance, internships, outside expertise and other tools. See full announcement for eligibility requirements. The deadline for applications will be January 15, 2007. Please note that the full FY2007 application package for this opportunity will be posted approximately three months prior to the application deadline. Until that time, applications and guidelines from the previous year are available for reference, but the current fiscal year application must be used when applying. Awards ranging from \$5,000-\$150,000 will be available. For further information, contact Christopher J. Reich at (202) 653-4685 or [creich@imls.gov](mailto:creich@imls.gov); or go to: <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIE&oppId=10539>.

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## **Youth Volunteer Recognition. Prudential**

*Financial and the National Association of Secondary School Principals*, recognize middle and high school students for volunteer community service. Local Honorees are selected at participating schools and organizations from each state including DC. State Honorees receive awards of \$1,000 and all-expenses-paid trips DC. Ten National Honorees receive additional awards of \$5,000. The deadline for applications is October 31, 2006. For further information, go to:

<http://www.prudential.com/overview2/0%2C2155%2CintPageID%25253D8983%252526blnPrinterFriendly%25253D0%2C00.html?furl=%2Fspirit>

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